

Parent and Swimmer Contract-Five Parks Piranhas-Summer 2023

Guidelines for Parents

-Meet sign up will take place online every week, and needs to be completed by Wednesday at 5pm. With the exception for special meets, such as the last chance meet, league, and state, this deadline might change. Pay attention to emails, as well as announcements at practice for a revised date and time. There will be NO exceptions!

-Outstanding parent and child behavior is expected in the pool and on the pool deck. It is important to promote good sportsmanship, which includes cheering on teammates and encouraging positive behavior. If parents see unacceptable behavior, they are expected to report it to a coach immediately. Children will receive two verbal warnings and parent notification, if there is still an issue, athletes may lose relay and meet privileges.

-There is not an option to sign up for relays. Relay assembly is entirely up to the coaches' discretion, and **all decisions are final**, unless in the case of an illness or an emergency. It is important to keep in mind that coaches consider best times as well as attitude and practice performance when putting together relays. A fast time alone will not earn your child's spot on the "A" relay!

-If a child signs up for a meet and fails to show up for that meet and the parent and/or child do not notify the coach prior to 5:30am on the day of the meet, the child may not be allowed to swim in relays for the remainder of the season. You can notify the coach by emailing fppcoach@gmail.com.

-Parents are expected to stay "off the pool deck" during practice. This means that parents should not be approaching coaches or kids during practice. Practice time is an important time for coaches and kids to work on swimming skills. Parent interruption will be interfering with this time and process.

-In the event that a parent should have to get ahold of the coaching staff, they can reach Coach Kate Unruh at fppcoach@gmail.com. This is the only method of communication between the coaches and parents, and the account will be checked numerous times a day. The account will especially be checked the morning of a meet, so if a child is sick or there is an emergency, parents will be able to notify coaches through an email to this account. Questions about **relays or events will not be answered via email**, but discussed with the coaches days prior to a swim meet.

-It is important to remember that Five Parks Piranhas is a summer club swim team focused on teamwork, personal improvement, and having fun. To make an athlete successful in this environment, it is vital for parents to emphasize the importance of these goals with their kids, specifically in regards to teamwork.

Guidelines for Swimmers

- Arrive on time with suit, cap, goggles, and water bottle and be prepared to swim!
- Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated. Swimmers misbehaving in practice or a meet may receive two verbal warnings and parent notification before losing possible privileges within the team.
- Over the course of the season, a swimmer might be asked to swim in an event or relay to benefit the team. It is important to be positive and willing to be a good teammate. Bad sportsmanship or issues with teammates may result in revoking relay or meet privileges altogether.

The most important thing to keep in mind for parents and swimmers this summer season is to swim fast, and to have fun while doing it!

By signing below, my swimmer and I agree to follow these guidelines.

Swimmer Signature

Parent Signature and Date